





**QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA**



## In London For The Coronation



In London, resplendent in the robes he will wear for the Coronation, is the Ombudsman of Ankole, Paramount Chief of the Province of Ankole, Uganda. He is in England for a six-month visit. — Express Photo.

## Abolishing Red Tape

New York, May 28. The United States today became the first government to sign a new international convention designed to help businessmen send commercial samples and advertising material from one country to another with less cost, delay and red tape.

Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, permanent representative of the United States to the United Nations, signed the international convention to facilitate the importation of commercial samples and advertising material in a ceremony at United Nations headquarters.

The Convention, first suggested by the International Chamber of Commerce, was adopted by the contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in Geneva and was opened for signature on February 1, 1953.—Reuter.

## HOSTAGE SUGGESTION REJECTED

Washington, May 28. The Rumanian diplomat Christache Zambet, ordered out of the country, plans to leave tomorrow from New York, Rumanian Legation officials said.

Meanwhile, the State Department has turned down suggestions that the United States hold him as a hostage until Rumania free the sons of V. C. Georgescu, the man Zambet tried to get to spy for Rumania.

The expelled Rumanian diplomat has been waiting to receive a French travel visa before leaving the United States. While the Rumanian Legation did not mention the visa, he had apparently obtained the necessary papers which will permit him to travel through France on his way to his Red homeland.

As for the "hostage" idea, a State Department spokesman said that would be reminiscent of "gangster tactics" and that the United States could not be a party to such a move.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS:

- 3 Wandering off (8).
- 4 Complete (6).
- 5 Severed (8).
- 11 Kept (6).
- 12 Laid (4).
- 13 Whole extent (5).
- 18 Fails to win (5).
- 19 Diplomatic (4).
- 22 It could happen (8).
- 24 Bearing (8).
- 25 Talk into custody (6).
- 26 Theatre attendants (8).

## DOWN:

- 1 Kernel (5).
- 2 Express (5).
- 3 Newcomer (7).
- 4 Seam (4).
- 5 Measure of land (4).
- 6 Smoothed out (6).
- 7 Struggled for breath (6).
- 10 Class (5).
- 11 Nibbled (5).
- 12 Puzzles (7).
- 13 Dense (6).
- 17 Plan (6).
- 20 Bank lower (5).
- 21 Insignificant (5).
- 22 Makes a fuss of (4).
- 23 Mark of a wound (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across.—3 Centric, 7 Clasp, 8 Alliance, 10 Adhere, 13 Precede, 15 Trap, 17 Garrets, 19 Pirates, 20 Unit, 21 Ribbons, 22 Eloquent, 23 Pedicure, 24 Ennui, 25 Executed, Down.—1 Scrap, 2 Cache, 3 Spare, 4 Trip, 5 Ignore, 6 Sleeper, 7 Lodger, 11 Drain, 12 Ecst, 14 Easier, 15 Tribes, 16 Alone, 18 Purple, 19 Riddle, 22 Bleed, 23 Ovine, 24 Snail, 25 Eerie.

## Malenkov Not Yet Accepted By Satellites

Vienna, May 28. Georgi Malenkov has not yet been accepted in the satellite States as the true successor of Josef Stalin, according to travellers reaching here from Budapest, Prague, Bucharest and Warsaw.

Whereas before Stalin's death, on May Day and similar festivals it was the portraits of Stalin which dominated the scene, it is not now the portrait of Malenkov, which dominates.

## Medical Services As War Reparations Japanese Doctor's Plan Supported

Tokyo, May 28.

A project which would pay off reparations to the Philippines, Indonesia and other South-East Asia countries by medical services is gaining support here in Japan.

The plan, first proposed by Dr Masao Kawabata, who practised medicine for four years in Indonesia during the war, would send teams of Japanese doctors equipped with equipment and medicines to treat the sick in reparations claimant countries, help set up hospitals and clinics and advise local authorities on a medical programme.

Tentatively proffered once to the Indonesian Government last year it was reported to have met with an enthusiastic response.

With the support of Diet members, Dr Kawabata, now head of a hospital in Tokushima Prefecture, has made an appointment with the Foreign Office this week to formally present his plan. Before taking it to the Government, Dr Kawabata sounded out his colleagues and found them warmly responsive to the idea.

He said today he anticipated no difficulty in getting about 130 first-class doctors and nurses to make up the first group of medical teams which he would send to Indonesia as a "test case."

"If the results were satisfactory," he said, "other teams would be sent to the Philippines, Burma and Indo-China."

"We would have to be extremely careful in selecting the personnel," he added, "but if the Government approved the plan, I would be the first to go."—United Press.

## Fishermen Like Slot Machine Bait

New York, May 28.

Fishermen are rushing to buy America's latest automatic slot machine—it supplies them with live minnows for bait.

The machine was invented by Carl Sutton and James Rice, two fishermen of Nashville, Tennessee. They developed it so that they could continue in business selling the minnows and go fishing themselves at the same time.

The automatic equipment consists of a metal tank covered by an overhanging roof. Minnows are graded according to size and encased in small, net-like plastic containers suspended in the water.

The prospective customer looks into the tank through a glass window and picks his size minnows.

After making his choice, he sets a lever, inserts the equivalent of a shilling and lifts out 12 minnows.

The device was introduced last August as an experiment but proved so popular that it is now being mass produced.

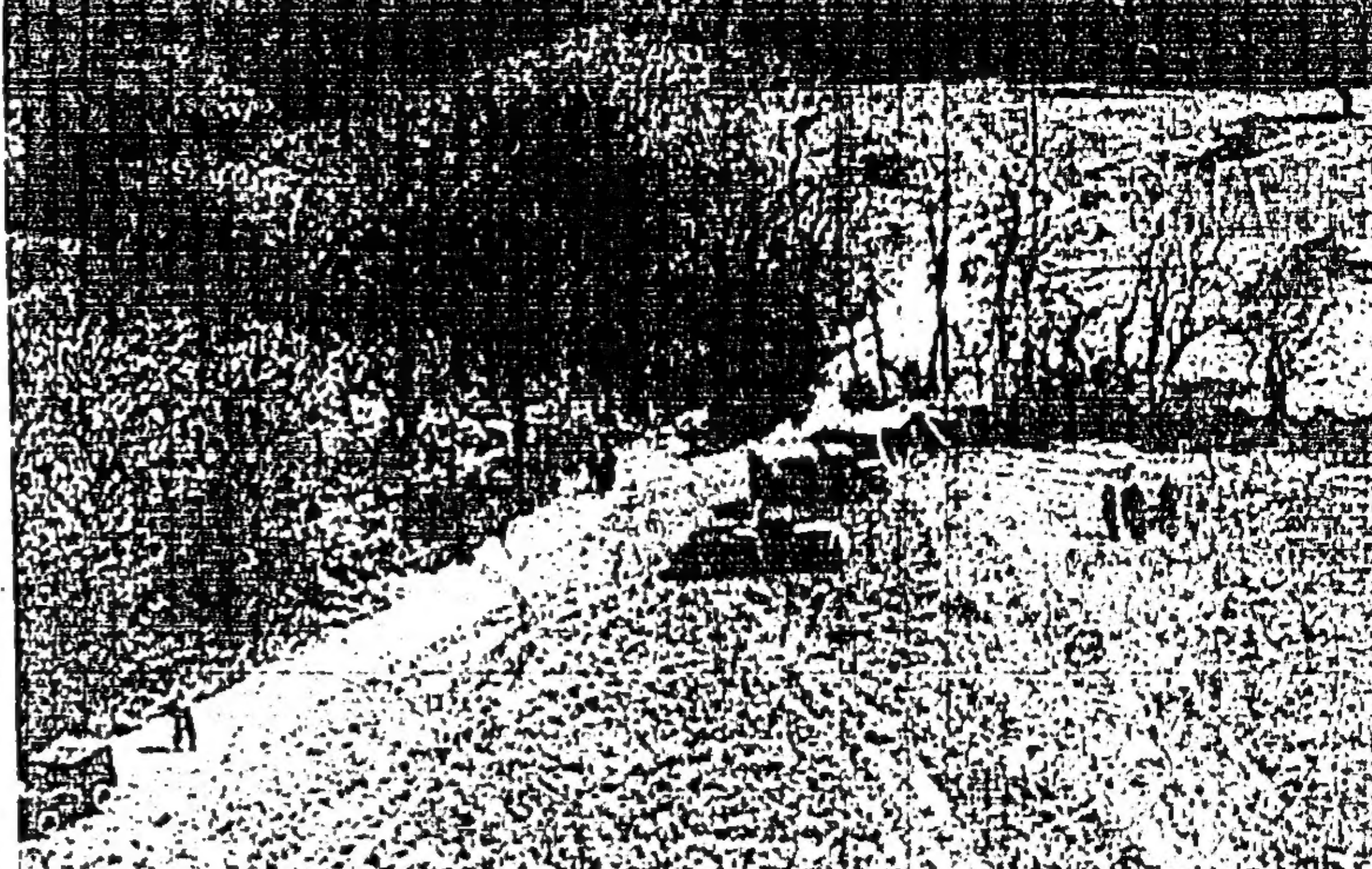
## TOKYO PAYMENT TO P.I.

Tokyo, May 28.

The Japanese Government will remit US\$1,800,000 to the Philippines Central Bank in order to settle Japan's adverse trade with that country, according to reliable sources.

This figure is the amount exceeding the swing limit set in the current barter agreement between the two countries. Meanwhile, the sources said that Japan intends to ask the Philippines Government to relax restrictions on imports from Japan.—France Press.

## Another Polish Jet Pilot Deserts



Troops surrounded the area when a new Polish M.I.G.-15 jet fighter landed on the Danish island of Bornholm in the Baltic. After touching down on the training ground of the Almgard military camp, the plane bounced over a road and ran into a clump of trees. The refugee pilot is said to be a close friend of Franciszek Jarecki, who surrendered a M.I.G.-15 at Bornholm in March and asked for asylum.—Express Photo.

## British Authorities Deport Clergyman From East Africa

Blantyre, Nyasaland, May 28. Portuguese authorities found the Rev. Michael Scott, European champion of African races, in Portuguese East Africa, and handed him over to the British in adjoining Nyasaland.

The British declared him a prohibited immigrant to-day and deported him by air to Britain.

## TRADITION WILL BE BROKEN

## No Giant Meat Pie In Denby Dale

Denby Dale, May 28.

British austerity has at least temporarily put a damper on the festival habits of this tiny hamlet—it will be unable to produce for the Coronation one of the skating rink-size meat pies with which it has greeted every other festival for a century.

Up to the last minute residents continued to hope that they could round up seven bull calves needed to make one of their famous 15-foot pastries, but there now appears to be no hope.

Sympathetic Australian farmers had offered to send 1,400 lbs. of beef for the pie but the shipment never arrived. British food officials turned a deaf ear to the hamlet's pleas.

"There is no question of a pie as far as we are concerned," Coronation Committee Chairman Allan Lockwood said gloomily today.

"The Ministry of Food was no help at all. They refused us the extra rations."

Even if every resident of Denby Dale was willing to go without meat for a week the most any one could contribute would be the 28 cents worth of meat every Briton is allowed every seven days—hardly enough altogether by village standards to make a respectable meat tart.—United Press.

## Mass Trial Of Chinese

Manila, May 28.

A mass trial of the 168 Chinese detainees of the Philippines armed forces headquarters will open on June 10 before the Philippine Deportation Board, it was announced this morning by the Philippine Department of Justice.

All the detainees are now being charged ranging from rebellion, tax evasion and arson to violation of Philippine Central Bank regulations.

All those against whom insufficient evidence for prosecution was found have been freed except two who are claiming Philippine citizenship.—Reuter.

## Hoverplanes In Civil Defence?

London, May 28.

Hoverplanes should be used by the Civil Defence, says Wing Commander Reginald Eric—the first Englishman to fly one.

Eric, now 57, is in charge of the British European Airways experimental unit at Gatwick Airport, two of whose hoverplanes took part in the Dutch flood rescue.

"Seventy-six people were saved by the two aircraft. They were piloted by Captain 'Jock' Cameron and First Officer John Crowdon."

## FRENCH CABINET CRISIS

## Financial Expert To Reconsider Offer

Paris, May 28.

M. Pierre Mendes France, financial wizard and strong supporter of a French withdrawal from Indo-China, agreed tonight to reconsider President Auriol's bid to end the nation's eight-day Cabinet crisis.

After turning down an earlier invitation from the President, M. Mendes France said he would give a definite reply tomorrow morning.

The 46-year-old Radical Socialist, former Finance Minister, first stood fast against taking the reins of government when he saw the President in a 100-minute session in M. Auriol's study, during which the President pleaded that he at least try.

There was a break later when M. Auriol saw some other visitors.

Afterwards, the President called M. Mendes France back and gave him a pile of documents to read overnight. In view of the President's plea, M. Mendes France said, he would study them and give his answer again tomorrow.

M. Auriol's manoeuvre kept the brilliant economist "on the hook" overnight in the hope that he might change his stand, and showed that M. Auriol wanted to force a decision on the Indo-China question, perhaps the topmost issue in France today.

"The President explained to me a certain number of considerations in connection with both internal and external policies," M. Mendes France told reporters.

"Then he gave me documents which I want to study at leisure. I will come back tomorrow morning to tell him what I think."—United Press.

## Appointments Approved

Washington, May 28.

The Senate Armed Forces Committee today unanimously approved President Eisenhower's nominations for the nation's top military posts.

These are Admiral Arthur Radford as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Matthew Ridgway as the Army Chief of Staff, Admiral Robert Carney as the Chief of Naval Operations, and General Nathan Twining as the Air Force Chief of Staff.—France Press.

## America Invites King Paul

Washington, May 28.

The White House today announced that King Paul and Queen Frederika of Greece had been invited to make a State visit to the United States.

The announcement said they had been invited to come next Autumn and the invitation was extended on behalf of President Eisenhower by the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, on his visit to the Near and Middle East.—United Press.

## Disobeyed Ban

Munich, May 28.

The police said today that they had arrested the owners of three local firms, alleged to have produced parts of carbines "on order of a Central American republic."

The firms—two small metal firms and a larger enterprise—were alleged to have produced parts of the carbine used in the former German Wehrmacht. They had been closed, the police said, but no further details were given.

Allied High Commission laws ban Germans from producing military weapons.—Reuter.

## ANTI-FEDERATION

A Nyasaland Magistrate recently banned a meeting by Mr Scott because it might provoke "public dissatisfaction."

The Anglican clergyman's visa for Nyasaland was due to expire on Saturday. He has been in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland for several weeks urging African leaders to appeal to the United Nations against the scheme to federate the two territories with Southern Rhodesia.

He had planned to fly back to London on Saturday.

Chief Gomani was suspended from office by the Tanganyika Government last week for advocating non-payment of taxes and contravention of Agriculture and Forestry laws as methods of opposition to Central African Federation.

Later an order to deport him from the Ncheu area was issued by Sir Geoffrey Colby, Governor of Tanganyika.

There was a disturbance outside Chief Gomani's house when police went to enforce the order and the chief was afterwards reported to have disappeared.—Reuter.

## LADY GODIVA RIDES AGAIN

Coventry, May 28.

Lady Godiva rides again on a white horse in Coventry—for seven seconds every hour.

She is a carved wooden figure and her horse is powered by an electric motor, connected with a clock in the tower of the new town centre, a five-storey block of shops and offices, the first building to rise in the blitzed area of the city.

The clock, which stood in the centre of Coventry for almost three-quarters of a century, has been restored to its rightful place after being overhauled by a Derby firm.

Lady Godiva moves along a balcony beneath the clock dial, and, just above her, a "Peeping Tom" leans out from a small window and watches her.

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OPEN TO ALL



## Wavering May Mean Failure

By Raymond Lambert

THE success of the British Everest expedition depends now on quick thinking. And the higher you go in these altitudes the harder it is to keep a clear brain.

There is no time for wavering. Colonel John Hunt, the expedition leader, having decided the best way to conquer Everest must now seize the first chance to put his plan into action.

If he waits, then the mental and physical powers of his team will all the time be deteriorating and their precious oxygen used up.

The rest is a problem of tactics. I believe the best solution is for the assault team of two men to stay at the first camp at 27,000 ft. and the following day, weather and oxygen supply permitting, to make the assault immediately.

From what I was able to see when I went up with Sherpa Tensing on May 28 last year, the difficulties in the climbing on the first part of this last lap.

The team go up the valley between the snow and rocks. Here the danger is the overhanging cornices of snow which are unstable and liable to break away at the slightest noise made by the men.

I believe that the last 450 ft. below the South Summit are very rocky, and the team will have to climb over a zone much steeper than they have met all now.

From what Tensing and I were able to see from the Lhotse Glacier, I have the impression that it is very long, and that there are probable difficulties which may slow the team's ascent or even halt it.

### Camera too

THE last 300 ft. to the top of Everest, however, offers no serious technical problems, and if the climbers can get to this point with sufficient strength and oxygen there is no reason why they should not be the first to reach Everest.

They will make the assault using crampons (ice-climbing spikes which fit on the boots), a few pitons (metal pegs) for the rocks, and a short length of rope, say about 50 ft., which they can leave at a difficult spot to guarantee their safe return.

In their pockets they must have nougat which is easy to digest, because at this altitude digestion does not work well. A stomach cramp would spell disaster.

The best things they could take are some glucose, dried raisins, and nougat, as I so well remember appreciating some condensed milk to ease the throat, which is always inflamed and sore at these heights.

A camera is indispensable — to take a photograph from the

summit in the direction of the North-East Ridge. This is necessary, first, to have information concerning the top of Everest on the Tibetan side, and secondly, as proof of success.

Not that anybody would doubt the word of these men who will have risked their lives in the assault.

I doubt greatly whether they will be in any condition to take more than one photograph.

### Two minutes

TO take a photograph at these heights presents enormous difficulties and tremendous will-power. The men must take off their gloves to adjust the camera and within one or two minutes their fingers will freeze.

Even if they avoid being frozen, it will take 20 minutes to half an hour to get any movement back into their fingers.

This means that after taking the photograph they will be immobilised for a considerable time — while their strength is weakening and their oxygen supply is getting lower.

The "recent" depends primarily on the quantity of oxygen that the men and Sherpas have been able to get up to the last camp at 27,000 ft. It is possible to go without constant oxygen for about 20,000 ft. but it is extremely hard and the climber's condition rapidly deteriorates.

So the team should leave the last camp with sufficient oxygen for at least 12 hours. This will cut the effects of altitude by half.

I hope the team going up will remember that the climb does not stop at the summit of Everest. They must also use oxygen coming down.

There are two methods of using oxygen but the apparatus weighs about the same (about 30 lb.) for each.

The important thing is that the climbers must have complete confidence in their apparatus because the danger is very great.

And should it cease to function they can be in great trouble extremely rapidly.

**Monsoon**  
COLONEL HUNT'S idea of attempting a third assault after waiting 10 or 12 days at Camp 4 or 5 is excellent, but I doubt whether the members of the expedition and the Sherpas who have been up to the South Col will be in a condition to go up again.

It seems to me that this idea is possible only if Colonel Hunt has men in perfect condition, and also if the highest camps have been able to resist the violent winds.

These camps must also be fitted out, oxygen and food are passing, lassitude is gaining slowly, and the monsoon is approaching.

Only a very light team leaving Camp 5 with oxygen would have any chance of success.



HOW TO TEAR ALLIES APART

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## THE JUDGES SHOULD NOT DISHWASH— AT LEAST IN PUBLIC

By George Edinger

LONDON. An awkward problem is perplexing Englishmen. To meet the rising cost of living and offset the burden of taxation the Government suggest raising the salaries of Britain's senior judges, the judges in the High Court, and the Court of Appeal by a tax-free £1,000 a year. Now it is true that other salaries and wages have been rising. But the judges' salaries are already high, or seem so. And, if Parliament accepts the proposal, the Lord Chief Justice would receive £9,000 a year, the President of the Court of Appeal (Master of the Rolls) £7,000 and 39 other judges £6,000.

Surely, many argue, that should be enough. Admittedly the figures are not what they seem, but nevertheless the judge who can actually bank £2,700 a year after he has paid his taxes along with all the expenses that his station demands is probably a lucky man.

Besides, anybody else earning £5,000 a year — that is the judges' present pay — would need to earn an extra £15,000 to get another £1,000 clear when all his taxes had been paid. "Is it just," ask the opponents of the scheme, to single out the well paid judges for such special, tax-free favour? "Yes," its supporters argue. "The English Judge (Scotland is unaffected by the proposal) is the trustee of our liberty. As such, he certainly deserves peculiar consideration. To give him that is not only right. It is expedient."

and then pronounce his findings in open court, giving his reasons. Once he decides, none but a judge in a higher court can overrule him.

The 41 men now affected by the Government's proposals are the only people in England who can inflict the death penalty upon a private citizen. Governments defer to them. When in 1922 a Conservative Government arrested a number of Irishmen and deported them to their own country to be tried for plotting, on British soil, the Government's overthrow, a judge ruled that, by the law of England, no man could be shipped overseas for trial and that no extradition treaty covered political offences. They were freed. Again, in 1951, while the Labour Government upheld the right of the police to demand an identity card — a right introduced during the war — a judge decided that this particular police power ended when the war was over. The police stopped demanding identity cards.

### Impartiality

OTHER powerful bodies, all of them, defer without question to the judges. In 1926 the Trade Union Congress called a General Strike. The call was obeyed but, in ten days, the strike was ended by the Trade Union leaders. For a High Court Judge had ruled it was

illegal. The Union leaders did not want to break the law. They did not question the fairness of the judge. Instead they waited till the law was changed — they waited more than twenty years.

To ensure the impartiality of her judges, Britain has taken every conceivable precaution. Once appointed, a judge holds his office for life. True, he may be removed by a majority vote of both houses but that has never happened. On the other hand, he cannot expect promotion to a higher post. That happens so rarely that it is not worth considering. So the judge need not be influenced by fear or hope of favour. He does not have to consider the suitability of ministers or the feelings of the populace. His only master is the Law.

### Outstanding Men

HE is not a civil servant, for none of the judges — knew, when they started their career, that they would end it on the Bench. Selected from the whole body of advocates (barristers, there are 6,000 of them) chosen for their force of character and knowledge of the law, they are all men outstanding in their calling. It is the duty of the Lord Chancellor, the senior legal officer of the Crown, who appoints them, to see that they should be men of the highest calibre.

The Lord Chancellor changes with the Government. But,

were he to appoint a judge for his political views, there would be more trouble than the most ardent politician would dare face. Besides, the Lord Chancellor can only appoint new judges. He cannot remove those already in office.

### Stands Aloof

THE special character of the judge and his extraordinary responsibilities are impressed both on the public and the judge himself. English judges wear a traditional garb that dates from the first years of the eighteenth century. When they travel, round the country on circuit to hold their Assize courts as they have done for seven centuries they are received with ancient pageantry. A special service is held for them in the Parish Church, a special sermon preached and the ringing of the church bells heralded by trumpeters. This ceremonial, the British think, not only impresses the people but also makes the judge aware of his peculiar responsibility. He stands aloof, and should he cease to do so, he will lose the respect that he has earned. What a judge has felt for him since an English judge ruled that a certain tax imposed by King Charles I ran counter to the Law of England. That was three centuries ago.

Such is the argument for raising judges' salaries. Those who support it argue that the mystic qualities which make a judge respected will vanish should people see him driving his own car or washing up the dishes.

## THE NEW LOOK RUSSIANS SPRING MORE SURPRISES

WONDERS never cease with the warm-hearted New Look Russians — to the bewilderment of New Yorkers.

At his Long Island estate, until recently barred and guarded against all comers, Andrei Vyshinsky, Russia's United Nations delegate, and a deputy Foreign Minister, gives a big party for UNOites.

And Moscow accepts a seven-year-old invitation to a ten-man Russo-American chess tournament in New York this summer.

BRACE yourself for a staggering piece of news — America is a satellite of Britain.

The discovery is announced in a leading article in the Chicago Tribune, key newspaper in the chain owned by the renowned Britain-baiter Colonel McCormick.

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A COMEDIAN named Herb Shriner and an actress named Celeste Holm had a right to feel lonesome and neglected on TV the other night.

During the time they appeared on TV, President Eisenhower was speaking — over the radio only.

TV stars didn't get a look-in with the audiences.

LOVE unlocked gates of Ellis Island for Harry Girth after they apparently closed on him for life.

An escaped German POW, he gave himself up earlier this month and was granted temporary freedom to marry his American sweetheart, Evelyn Godel.

If they want to take a honeymoon in Canada or Mexico, he will be able to re-enter on the German quota with his U.S. bride and become a citizen.

are going back to school for courses in courtesy — especially towards New York's foreign language minorities.

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S Budget men have cut 364 million dollars (\$130 million) out of the Atomic Energy Commission's funds, listed at 2,699 million dollars (\$964 million).

Almost certainly it means long delays in building A-powered aircraft, but not in A-power plants for submarines, which are well under way.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH MCCONNELL, new top jet ace — 10 MIGs shot down — needed eight years to argue his superiors into training him as a pilot.

They put him in the Medical Corps. That was in 1940. Then they made him a navigator. He had to fly 60 times in bombers over Germany.

When Korea flared up, they said he was too old for it. Not until last September did the United States force ship him out — old at 30.

Gallantly, he says, "I'm just a lucky jet jockey with a good plane and a lot of good training."

MUTE Alexander Tingling has won a 1,075-dollar court judgment against two other mutes who slandered him in sign language.

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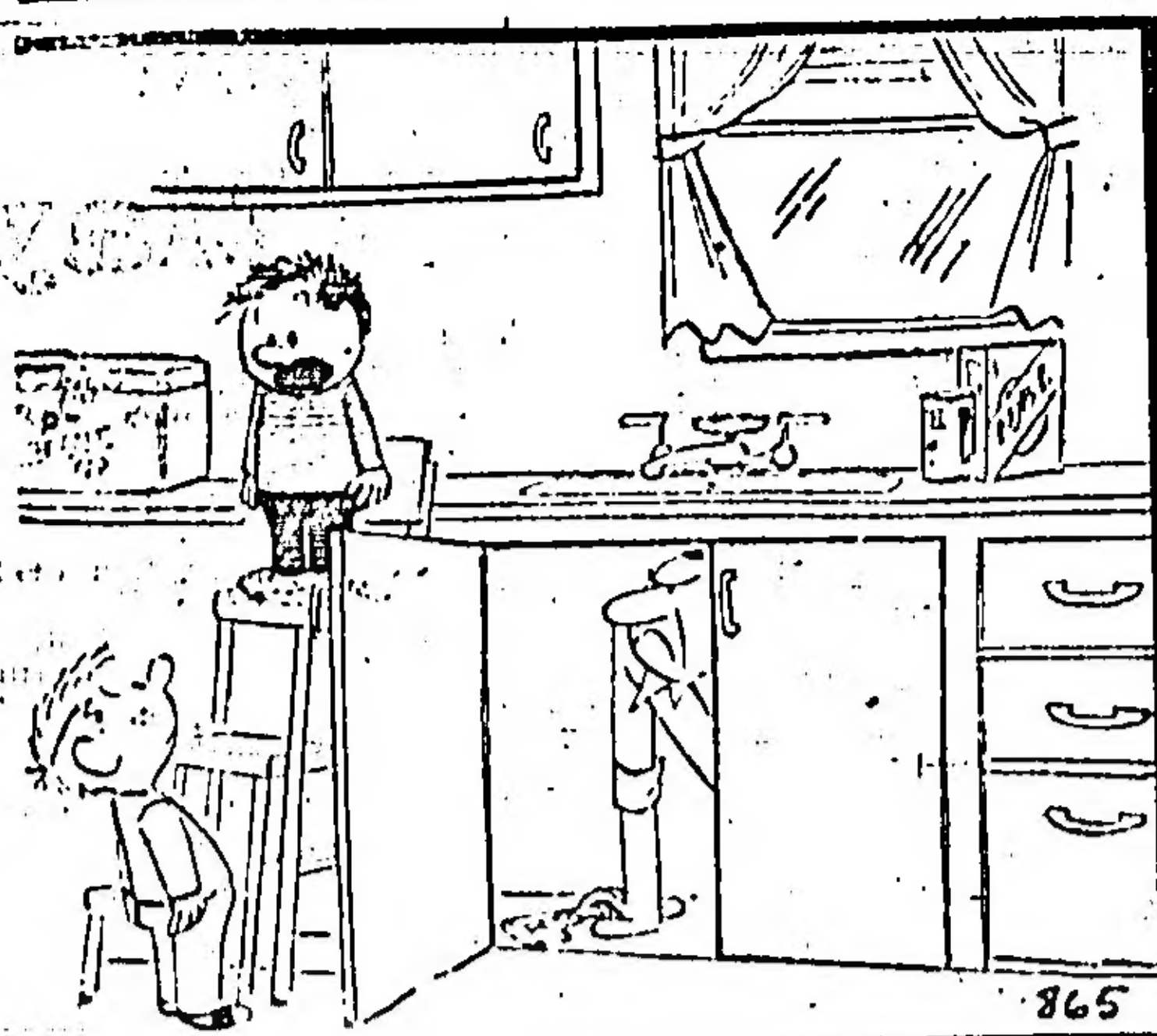
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## • BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

SOMEONE has invented a waterproof lightrope, presumably for people who walk the lightrope under water.

Prodnoise: Not at all. It would be a useful device.

Myself: Ah! For people who walk the lightrope when it is raining? Would not the little sunshade keep off the rain?

Prodnoise: Not ahead of the water, or behind him.

Myself: What about a waterproof fan for Chinese jugglers?

Prodnoise: They generally perform indoors.

Myself: But the rain might leak through the roof.

Prodnoise: Shall we change the subject?

Myself: With pleasure.

Foamin' in the gloamin'

HOW do the Socialists contrive to keep at the mouth so realistic?

When they wish to appear angry, they all use SNIBFOME, the new Snibbo brand, the only edible soap on the market.

The poisoned hat (VII)

IT was from Nupo Tuto, the Japanese magnate, that Egham learned that his colleague, Wendell, had been stopped at the frontier but had managed to escape, and was now in hiding in Japan, in the

house of Hawthorn, a fiery iron-tongued in the pay of General Kahlil. Somewhere Egham had to be sure that Wendell still had the plans for taking into the confidence of the Japanese, a dancer, he was led by stinking alleys to the house of Hawthorn, only to learn from this

reputed iron-tongued that Wendell had disappeared with Wendell, a Bohemian friend of Kahlil. Suddenly he suspected that someone was playing the fool, and that the plan he had handed to his colleague were not the genuine ones. Why could he have the real plans? Every instinct in him—and there were not many—told him that only Dingo-Foon would know. He must win her over.

On an 'advanced' poet

He tortured words; but there, remain today.

Secrets the English tongue would not betray.

In goes a bit of meat

I LIKE the announcement of a politician that "more meat is finding its way into the pot."

There is a delightful suggestion that the whole thing is a joke. In fact, there is no question of deliberately reaching for meat. It is the plain determination to encourage it. No, you wait for the stuff to come ambling along.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Idea Was Great;  
Result Fizzled

By OSWALD JACOBY

IT is difficult to judge the way a hand was played unless you know the whole story. In today's hand, for example, taken from the recent World Championship, both declarers reached the same contract and got the same opening lead. The difference in the result is only part of the story.

The American declarer played the hand in simple, normal style. He won the first trick with the ace of clubs, cashed the ace of spades to get it out of the way, and entered dummy with the king of clubs in order to cash the king of spades and discard a diamond. Now it was safe to lead trumps. South could lose only one trump, one diamond, and one club. He was sure to make his contract.

In the other room the Swedish declarer looked at the opening lead of the jack of clubs with deep suspicion. The trouble was that the Swedish expert had bid clubs, and this lead right into a bid suit looked like a singleton.

If the clubs were going to break badly, South's best chance to make the contract consisted in discarding a club rather than

NORTH 28			
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♦	K 7 4 2	♣	—
WEST			
♠	Q 9 8	♥	A 5 4
♦	7 7 2	♣	A 6 3
♠	A Q 10 8	♥	9 8 5 4 2
♦	J 10 6	♣	Q 8
SOUTH (D)			
♠	—	♥	K Q J 10 8 5
♦	—	♣	K 3
♠	—	♥	A 9 8 3
Both sides vul.			
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
Opening lead—♠ J			

a diamond on dummy's king of spades. Eventually South would have to play a diamond from dummy in the hope that the king could win a trick.

Acting on this reasoning, South won the first trick with the ace of clubs, cashed the ace of spades, and then led the king of hearts at once.

The idea seemed very good at the time, but the result was disaster. East pounced on the trick with his ace of hearts and returned a diamond through declarer's king. West took his two diamond tricks and exited safely with another diamond, after which he had only to wait patiently for a club trick to come to him to set the contract.

South looked rather sheepish after managing to be defeated at a contract that was ice-cold. If the clubs had actually broken four-one, however, South would have been the hero, and the American declarer in the other room would have been the goat.

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West  
Pass Pass 1 Heart Pass  
1 Spade Pass

You, South, hold: Spades J-3, Hearts A-Q-J-7-5, Diamonds A-K-8, Clubs A-Q-9. What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. With a count of 21 points, balanced distribution, and stoppers in all of the unbid suits, your only choice is whether to bid two no-trump or three no-trump. The fact that you have a strong five-card suit persuades you to make the stronger bid.

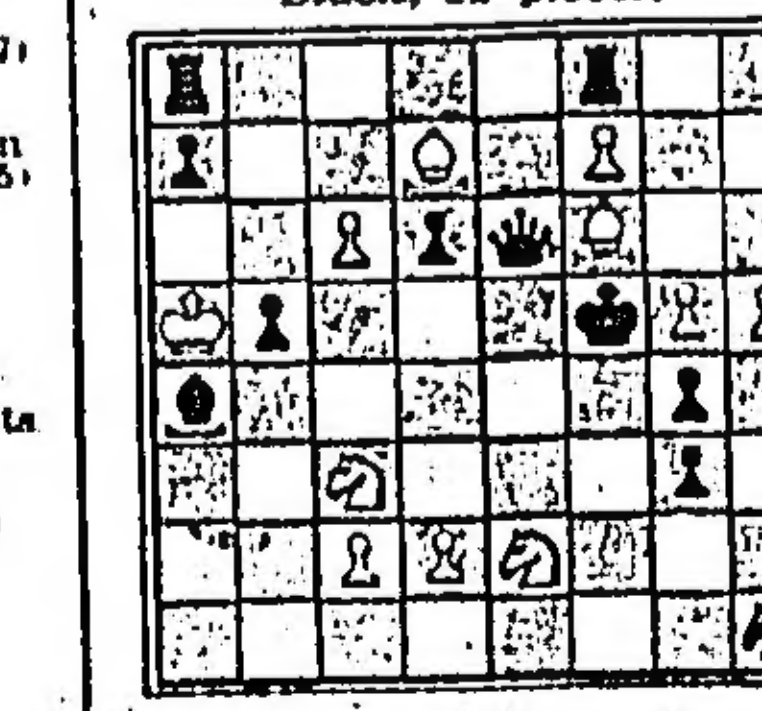
## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-2, Hearts A-Q-J-7-5, Diamonds A-K-8, Clubs A-Q-9. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

## CHESS PROBLEM

By A. AKERBLOM  
Black, 11 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.  
White to play; mate in three.  
Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. Kt—K5, any; 2. R, or Kt (ch, or dis ch) mates.

## WHAT'S HER LINE?

EDWENA LEMON

Re-arrange the letters to spell her occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

# WOMANSENSE

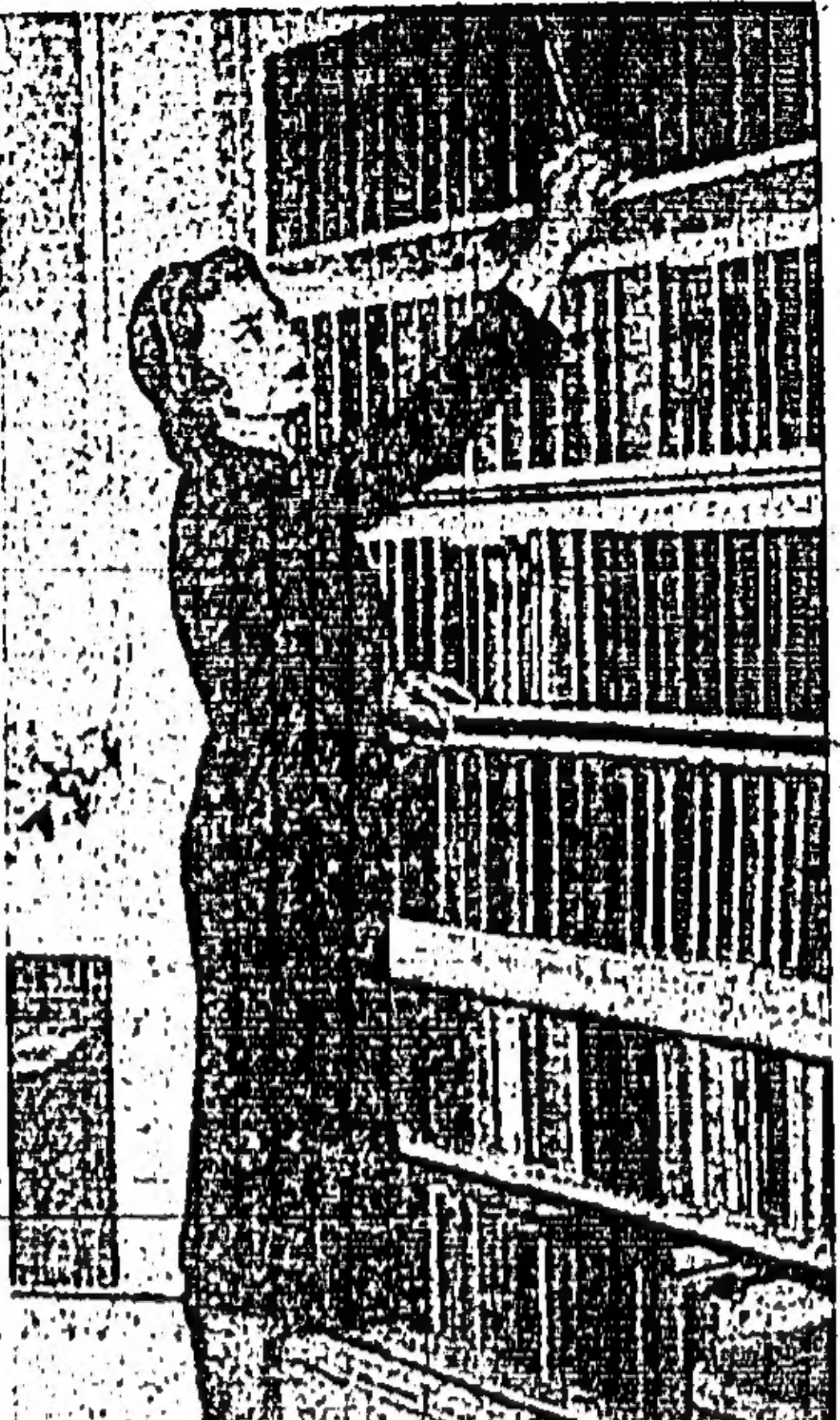
## MEET THE MAIDS OF HONOUR



LADY MOYRA HAMILTON, 22-year-old daughter of the Marquis of Hamilton, is 5ft. 11in. and likes flat shoes.

She lives at Baron's Court, Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland, and spends little time in England. But she is staying with her grandmother at Mount Street, Mayfair, until after the Coronation.

At home she is her mother's secretary and looks after her own animals. Her hobbies are riding, music and reading—"anything from a detective story to Bertrand Russell."



LADY JANE VANE-TEMPEST-STEWART, daughter of the Marquis of Londonderry, is an experienced housekeeper at 20.

Since her mother died two years ago she has looked after the family homes at Stockton-on-Tees and Park Street, Mayfair, for her father and younger brother and sister.

Lady Jane spends most of her time in the country, where she enjoys tennis and shooting. She is 5ft. 5in., fair-haired, and likes sophisticated clothes.

WHAT are they really like, the six pretty girls whom the Queen has chosen as her maids of honour?

On June 2, wearing white dresses by Norman Hartnell and carrying the Queen's 20-yard train, they will be seen by millions of television viewers. They will become public figures for a day.

They are in London for rehearsals in Westminster Abbey. DENISE RICHARDS has met them in their homes. Here is her report:



LADY ROSEMARY SPENCER-CHURCHILL, 23-year-old daughter of the Duke of Marlborough, is the eldest of the six. Her wedding to 28-year-old stockbroker, Mr. Robin Muir, at Oxford next month, will be followed by a reception at her home, Blenheim Palace.

"I'm spending most of my spare time searching for a London flat," said Lady Rosemary, who is 5ft. 10½in. tall. She has to attend fittings for her Coronation and wedding dresses, too, and stays at her father's house in Shepherd's Place, Mayfair, during the week.

In the country her hobby is riding. She prefers plain tailored clothes.



LADY JANE HEATHCOTE-DRUMMOND-WILOUGHBY, 18-year-old daughter of the Earl of Ancaster, is the youngest of the six.

Lady Jane went to live with a French family in Paris after the left school. Last September she began a course at Ashridge College.

She has light brown hair and a slim build. She divides her time between her homes in London, Scotland and Lincolnshire.

## Household Hint

Each of the various household waxes is prepared for a specific purpose. To do the best job, be sure you're using the proper type of wax. Paste wax is designed to give a durable finish to wood floors. Water-soluble wax is best for linoleum and of particular benefit to rubber or asphalt floors. To clean as well as polish, select a cream wax. A non-oily liquid wax should be used to protect furniture.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 29

BORN today, you are one of those bundles of charm who can get anything at all through your personality. Just make sure you don't trade it for too much money. You have considerable natural ability but you do need concentration to make a single objective. If you are to achieve the top of the success ladder, things are apt to come to you as easily as to those who do get up against a tough proposition, you find yourself at a loss to know what to do.

Yet, you have the ability to turn your difficulty into an advantage. Once you try you are moody and unpredictable. To your friends this charm. To those who know you only casually, it can become a severe handicap. You have a beautiful nature, but you are probably a member of the fair sex probably will have social aspirations and will not be completely happy unless you travel around with

those at the top! This may not mean so much to you, men, or your ambitions may be in other directions. You would prefer to succeed in business or in the professions. You should have talent for speaking in public and would make good politicians, lawyers, statesmen or ambassadors.

You are high-tempered and lose control easily. It would be wise for you to count to 10 before making an answer when angry. If you follow this advice, it will avoid saying things that you may regret when you have cooled off. Wed to a volatile nature, you can be exceptionally happy, for your affections are strong and your family loyalties intense.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, MAY 30

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) — If you can get away for a long week-end this Memorial Day, it would be a very good thing for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) — A new friendship begun today, might turn into a life-long attachment. Romance is not out of the picture!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) — Kindness done to you previously repaid now, can bring satisfaction to all involved. Be gracious in your giving.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) — Optimism is best today, even if there is a touch of sadness in the day. Try smiling through the tears!

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) — Rash extravagance is not advised today. Yet spend all that is necessary, without stinting, either.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) — There are some odd jobs around the house or in the garden that need doing. Why not get them done?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23) — Utilize your spare moments wisely today. There may be considerable you need to accomplish.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20) — There may be some problems that you need to get done, even if it is a holiday! Be conscientious.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) — Plan for beautiful relaxation, outdoors if you can. Perhaps plan a family picnic in the country.

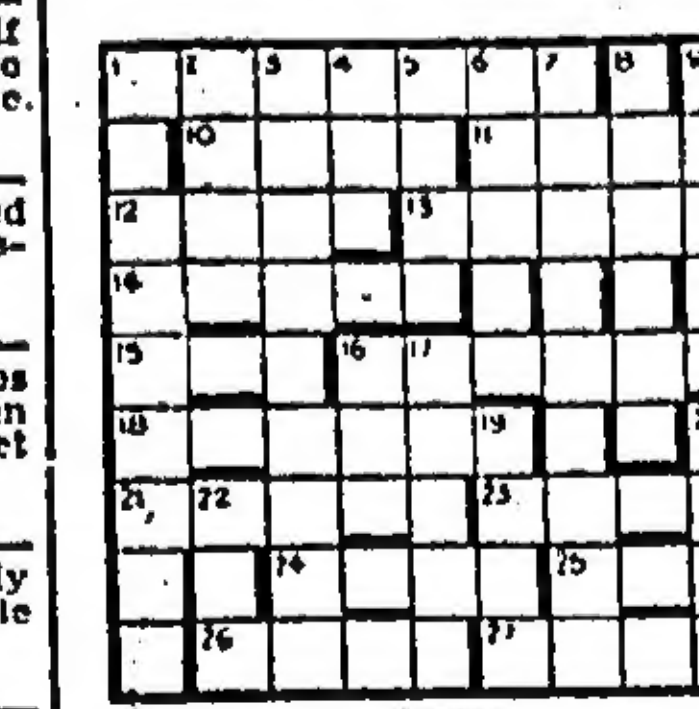
## DUMB-BELLS

DOES THE QUESTION EMPERASS YOU?

NOT AT ALL, SIR, THE ANSWER THAT BOTHERS ME!



## CROSSWORD



- Across
1. For the day in church. (7)
2. Camera's eye. (4)
3. This is the story. (10)
4. 12. Heart or farming. (5)
5. Knock all of a heap. (5)
6. Australian bird. (5)
7. Target for a canoeist? (5)
8. Duster, usually red. (6)
9. Before a fall. (5)
10. Decree. (4)
11. Nothing in two compass points nothing anyway. (4)
12. Ato-the-dick. (5)
13. Describes a forward miss. (4)
14. Rather mysterious. (4)

- Down
1. Feet of cup. (anag.). (5, 3)
2. Squashed circle. (4)
3. O time in us. (anag.). (9)
4. No wind on this side. (4)
5. A pitcher, as it were. (4)
6. Handshake. (5)
7. Close down the tent. Marie. (9)
8. Loose ended. (6)
9. Covered temporarily by Australia. (5)
10. Olive permission to 10 Across. (3)
11. Great requirement. (4)
12. Card game. (4)
13. Let a car do this, then hold on tight! (3)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across: 1. Breeze; 2. Circle; 3. Hilly; 4. Lay; 5. Dime; 6. Dime; 7. Dime; 8. Dime; 9. Dime; 10. Dime; 11. Dime; 12. Dime; 13. Dime; 14. Dime; 15. Dime; 16. Dime; 17. Dime; 18. Dime; 19. Dime; 20. Dime; 21. Dime; 22. Dime; 23. Dime; 24. Dime; 25. Dime; 26. Dime; 27. Dime; 28. Dime; 29. Dime; 30. Dime; 31. Dime; 32. Dime; 33. Dime; 34. Dime; 35. Dime; 36. Dime; 37. Dime; 38. Dime; 39. Dime; 40. Dime; 41. Dime; 42. Dime; 43. Dime; 44. Dime; 45. Dime; 46. Dime; 47. Dime; 48. Dime; 49. Dime; 50. Dime; 51. Dime; 52. Dime; 53. Dime; 54. Dime; 55. Dime; 56. Dime; 57. Dime; 58. Dime; 59. Dime; 60. Dime; 61. Dime; 62. Dime; 63. Dime; 64. Dime; 65. Dime; 66. Dime; 67. Dime; 68. Dime; 69. Dime; 70. Dime; 71. Dime; 72. Dime; 73. Dime; 74. Dime; 75. Dime; 76. Dime; 77. Dime; 78. Dime; 79. Dime; 80. Dime; 81. Dime; 82. Dime; 83. Dime; 84. Dime; 85. Dime; 86. Dime; 87. Dime; 88. Dime; 89. Dime; 90. Dime; 91. Dime; 92. Dime; 93. Dime; 94. Dime; 95. Dime; 96. Dime; 97. 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# TEST SELECTORS MUST HAVE BEEN IMPRESSED BY TERRY SPENCER'S FORM

London, May 28.

How much the Test selectors will be influenced by the form shown in the Test trial at Birmingham must remain obscure until the England side is selected.

They must, however, be impressed by the form shown by Terry Spencer, the 22-year-old Leicestershire medium fast bowler who was the biggest surprise in the trial team selections.

In an impressive spell of four overs with the new ball just before lunch today, Spencer bowled Peter May and Denis Compton with fast break-backs similar to that with which he dismissed Trevor Bailey overnight.

These two highly prized wickets cost him 13 runs in his new ball spell and his full analysis, when the England XI declared at 269 for six wickets, was three for 51.

On the other hand the bowling form of Fred Trueman was extremely disappointing. On this display he is nowhere near his 1952 peak.

Denis Compton and Terry Simpson were both in their best form, scoring 75 and 62 respectively in the England XI's score.

Compton played with the skill and assurance which characterised his century against Sussex in his last match, while Simpson was master of the quicker bowling and more certain against the slow bowlers than he has been.

At the close of the Test, he scored 102 for four wickets and, therefore, with a wicket in hand, they were 107 runs behind with only one day left for play.

The highest score of the day came from Australian-born Jack Livingstone, who made 140 and helped Northamptonshire to score 354 for eight in reply to the Essex first innings total of 172.

He gave an aggressive display after a slow start. With powerful strokes on both sides

of the wicket, he scored his second-50 in 30 minutes and altogether batted nearly three hours during which time he hit one six and 16 fours.

The following were the close of play scores of cricket matches played today:

At Birmingham (Test trial): England XI 269 for six declared (Simpson 62, Denis Compton 75). The Rest 102 for four.

At Lord's: MCC 168 for nine declared (Bird 68) and 58 for two. Hampshire 210 for nine declared (Gray 65, Hill not out 52).

At Oxford: Middlesex 248 for nine declared and 40 for one. Oxford University 217 (Cowdry 69, Routledge four for 20).

At Ilford: Essex 172. Northamptonshire 354 for eight (Livingstone 140).

At Derby: Derbyshire 204 and 25 for one. Sussex 393 for eight declared (John Lang 43, He paces up and down, he sits, he jumps up, he waves his hands; he is never content to do one thing at a time).

At Jermolov: The two-day match between Northumberland and Yorkshire was drawn. Northumberland 273 and 200 for six (Jowett not out 80), Yorkshire 30 (Halliday 62, Illingworth 60).

At Taunton: Surrey 300 and 172 for eight declared (Fletcher 55). Somerset 176 (Kitson not out 52, McMahon live for 38) and 47 for one.

At Cambridge: Cambridge University 43 for eight declared (Barnard three for 12) and 23 for one. Warwickshire 219 for eight declared (Heath 52).

At Folkestone: Glamorgan 189 (Wooler 91, Murray-Wood three for 25). Kent 124 for six.

At Leicester: Gloucestershire 132 (Cripp 80, Jackson four for 40) and 13 for no wicket. Leicestershire 217 for nine declared (Hallam 77).

Lancashire started badly losing place to the fifth ball of Lindwall's second over. He had his off stump uprooted without making a stroke.

In Lindwall's first over, the umpire P. Corral, indicated to the Australian that he was dragging his foot over the bowling crease before delivering the ball.

Later that over he no batted him and at the end of it walked across and spoke to Lindsay before Lindwall's second over started. Corral, Hassett and the bowler gathered round the stumps, obviously discussing the drag.

THE SCOREBOARD

Australians, 1st Innings

Morris, c. Edrich b. Marnier 29  
Hole, c. Grievess b. Hilton 43  
Hassett, c. Grievess b. Hilton 34  
Harvey, c. Edrich b. Statham 103  
Miller, c. Marnier b. Grievess 23  
Craig, c. Grievess b. Wharton 23  
Archer, lbw b. Hilton 14  
Ring, c. Grievess b. Hilton 11  
Lindwall, b. Statham 3  
Langley, lbw b. Statham 3  
Johnston, not out 0  
Extras 9

Total 269

Bowling: O M R W  
Statham 24.1 5 63 3  
Wharton 19 3 52 1  
Grievess 12 4 15 1  
Marnier 8 2 23 1  
M. Hilton 38 4 117 4  
J. Hilton 5 1 19 0  
Byes 3; Leg-byes 4; No Balls 2 by Statham.

Lancashire's 1st Innings

Washbrook, not out 1  
Place, b. Lindwall 0  
Edrich, not out 2  
Extras 5

Total (for 1 wkt.) 8

Bowling: O M R W  
Lindwall 3 1 3 1  
Miller 2 2 0 0

LADIES' GOLF

The winners of the Shanghai Fourcres played at Deep Water Bay on Tuesday were M. E. Cowell and Mrs. J. Byington.

Players are asked to note that the next competition at Deep Water Bay, Par Biquets, will be played on Thursday, June 4.

Players will arrange their own partners.

MANSLAUGHTER

Taipei, May 28.

The Taipei District Court today charged Chang Kai with manslaughter on grounds he stabbed Yen Hui-sheng six times after Chang lost six times at chess to Yen. United Press.

## \*\*\* A SEAT IN THE STALLS \*\*\* KEN SMITH Show Talking A Yankee On The Throne Of King Arthur

London.

"Lanky Bones" Mel Ferrer charged across the room, all 6ft. 2in. of him, and gripped my hand like a vice.

I wasn't expecting it—you don't, when you know that hand and arm had been useless after an attack of infantile paralysis.

Ferrer, actor of stage and screen, director, publisher, ex-author, ex-practically everything is over here to play King Arthur in MGM's remake of *Knights of the Round Table*—an excursion into one-half of his complicated double life.

Mel, not content with getting to the top of the ladder as an actor, has got there as a director as well.

Young Playwright

As he talks he is never still. He paces up and down, he sits, he jumps up, he waves his hands; he is never content to do one thing at a time.

His friends are divided into two schools of thought—those who expect him to fly apart at any moment, and those who are confident that he has so many irons in the fire he's bound to set the world ablaze with one of them.

Born Melcher Gaston 35 years ago in New York—"I changed my name because people kept calling me Mel-chlor, like the famous opera singer"—he started in the entertainment business as a child by writing a play. The *Concerto Drunkard* it was a ten-minute production which starred himself, his brother and his two sisters.

He had odd jobs in repertory, went to college, quit after two years, married and went to Mexico to write. In a year he

wrote only 500 words—about half the length of this column—a children's story, which sold 20,000 copies.

Chorus Boy

Six months with a publishing firm followed, until New York drew him back. He applied for a job as a chorus boy in Cole Porter's *You'll Never Know*.

Clifton Webb, one of the stars, took a liking to the gangling youth with the lean look and the worried eyes who had never danced a step in his life.

He took him to one side and in two hours taught him enough of the rudiments of stage dancing to enable him to keep his job.

After several other small parts, Mel contracted polio. The next three years he describes as "a sort of non-alcoholic lost week-end." His marriage collapsed, and he was convinced he was through with the stage.

He moved to California, remarried, applied for military service but was turned down because of his arm. He got various jobs in Los Angeles and for months carried a heavy flat-iron around to limber up his arm.

Finally he plucked up enough courage to return to New York, where he got a job as a disc jockey. After two years he was producing programmes.

Film Director

He moved to Hollywood in 1943, amicably dissolved his second marriage, and remarried his first wife.

After a year at Columbia as dialogue director he worked up to the full direction of a low-budget B-picture, *Girl of the Year*.

"The studio hated me because I ran four days over the 12-day schedule. But it made more money than any B-picture they'd had in five years," says Mel.

He was not content to stay a B-picture director—D. W.

Griffiths had given him bigger ambitions—and he launched into the double game of acting and directing.

In 1947, with Joseph Cotten, Dorothy McGuire, Jennifer Jones and Gregory Peck, he started a community theatre at La Jolla, California.

"We had all been stage actors. We wanted to get back on a friendly footing with audiences, with people who would laugh out loud, whom you could hear applaud, whose presence you could feel."

The theatre is still in existence, and today they have two permanent companies on tour.

Broadway Star

Broadway again beckoned, and he directed Jose Ferrer, to whom he is no relation, in *Cyrano de Bergerac* on Broadway.

He also directed John Ford in *The Fugitive* and finished Howard Hughes's *Vendetta* after the millionaire impresario had hired and fired three directors.

But it was *Secret Fury*, a million-dollar picture in which he supervised Claudette Colbert and Robert Ryan, which established him as big-time.

In his other guises as actor he starred on Broadway in *Strange Fruit*—with Jose Ferrer as producer. He played the negro doctor in the highly successful *Lost Boundaries*, and appeared with Joan Fontaine and Robert Ryan in *Born to Be Bad*.

Then came *The Brave Bulls*, the story of bullfighting in Mexico—and Mel had arrived as a new star. Since then he has done *Scaramouche*, *Lilli and Saddle*, and next month starts at Elstree in *Knights of the Round Table*.

No Rest For Them

Last week Hollywood finished its first large-screen Cinemascope film, *The Robe*, a \$4,000,000 dollar epic starring Richard Burton, Jean Simmons and Victor Mature, 14 days ahead of the scheduled 64.

But there's no rest for the Apostle Peter or Demetrius. Michael Rennie and Victor Mature, who had the respective roles in the film, will play them again in a sequel starting next week, *The Story of Demetrius*.

Matter Of Choice

An independent British company are to produce *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*—from the pen of Anita (Gentlemen Prefer Blondes) Loos. Jeanne Crain and David Wayne will head the cast.

*Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, with Marilyn Monroe, has just been completed, will be over here this autumn.

CIVIL AID

Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, of May 29, 1953.

Rescue Service

Special parades, June 2 and 3, 1953. The Rescue Service will provide squads to stand by during the Coronation Processions on June 2 and 3, 1953. These Rescue Squads will act under the orders of the Chief Officer, Fire Brigade.

Fire Brigade

Fire Brigade Contingent will provide on June 2, C.R.O., R.O., I.A.R.O., squads: 1st Station, Central (2 men); 2nd Station, C.R.O., One Squad (9 men); Eastern Fire Station, I.A.R.O., Hongkong Contingent (9 men); Western Fire Station, A.R.O., Hong Kong Contingent (9 men).

Kowloon Contingent will provide on June 3, R.O., A.R.O., squads: 1st Station, Salisbury Road; 2nd Station, B/L Lo Wah-hung One Squad; New Fire Station, Tong Mi Rd., R.O., Kowloon; Mr. Chan Breaching One Squad.

Time: All personnel will report to the station to which they are allocated at 10 a.m. on the respective days and the probable time of dismissal will be about 6 p.m. Dress: Dress will be denim uniform, belt, shoes, rubber boots, hard cap, steel helmets will be carried. Pay: All personnel detailed will receive one day's pay. Rations: Each man will carry rations for the day, which will be taken with him if called out on an incident. Allowance: A complete set of equipment will be sent to the respective fire stations by the Chief Officer, Civil Aid Services. Officers in charge will check the equipment immediately upon arrival at the post. Identity Cards: C.A.S. Identity Cards will be carried by all ranks possessing them. Roll: Section Leaders will call roll at 10 a.m. on the respective days. Section Leaders will report to the Officer in charge (by telephone, where appropriate). Equipment: Before dismissal, Section Leaders will report to the Officer in charge (by telephone, where appropriate) on all deficiencies, such as missing equipment, etc., and the respective destinations.

There will be no parade for Kowloon Contingent on June 3, 1953, but they will parade with Hongkong Contingent on June 1, 1953.

At half-time, neither side has scored.—Reuters.

Kwong Wah Boats

Manila, May 28.

The German Offenbach football team today defeated Hongkong's Kwong Wah by one goal to nil tonight in a triangular series of games.

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## Neil Harvey Saves The Australians At Old Trafford

Manchester, May 28.

Neil Harvey made his third century of the tour and saved the Australians at Old Trafford today.

Lancashire did extremely well to dismiss the touring team for 298, but lost the wicket of Winston Place while scoring eight runs in the last 20 minutes.

The Australians gave a disappointing display on a slow pitch and even Harvey was well below his best form until passing 50. Then his timing, previously well out, improved considerably and his second fifty came in just over an hour.

Altogether Harvey batted three hours 10 minutes for his 103, which included 14 fours, and his innings was a mixture of good fortune and good strokes.

Lancashire fielded splendidly. Ken Grieves at slip holding four catches and their attack, although without Roy Tattersall and a fast bowler to support Alex Statham, was always steady.

Lancashire started badly losing place to the fifth ball of Lindwall's second over. He had his off stump uprooted without making a stroke.

In Lindwall's first over, the umpire P. Corral, indicated to the Australian that he was dragging his foot over the bowling crease before delivering the ball.

Later that over he no batted him and at the end of it walked across and spoke to Lindsay before Lindwall's second over started. Corral, Hassett and the bowler gathered round the stumps, obviously discussing the drag.

THE SCOREBOARD

Australians, 1st Innings

Morris, c. Edrich b. Marnier 29  
Hole, c. Grievess b. Hilton 43  
Hassett, c. Grievess b. Hilton 34  
Harvey, c. Edrich b. Statham 103  
Miller, c. Marnier b. Grievess 23  
Craig, c. Grievess b. Wharton 23  
Archer, lbw b. Hilton 14  
Ring, c. Grievess b. Hilton 11  
Lindwall, b. Statham 3  
Langley, lbw b. Statham 3  
Johnston, not out 0  
Extras 9

Total 269

Bowling: O M R W  
Statham 24.1 5 63 3  
Wharton 19 3 52 1  
Grievess 12 4 15 1  
Marnier 8 2 23 1  
M. Hilton 38 4 117 4  
J. Hilton 5 1 19 0  
Byes 3; Leg-byes 4; No Balls 2 by Statham.

Lancashire's 1st Innings

Washbrook, not out 1  
Place, b. Lindwall 0  
Edrich, not out 2  
Extras 5

Total (for 1 wkt.) 8

Bowling: O M R W  
Lindwall 3 1 3 1  
Miller 2 2 0 0

LADIES' GOLF

The winners of the Shanghai Fourcres played at Deep Water Bay on Tuesday were M. E. Cowell and Mrs. J. Byington.

Players are asked to note that the next competition at Deep Water Bay, Par Biquets, will be played on Thursday, June 4.

Players will arrange their own partners.

MANSLAUGHTER

Taipei, May 28.

The Taipei District Court today charged Chang Kai with manslaughter on grounds he stabbed Yen Hui-sheng six times after Chang lost six times at chess to Yen. United Press.

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No claims will be admitted after the

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the goods have left the godown, and

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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## Rare Cannibal Fish Found In Pond

London, May 28. A *Silurus Glanis*, a freshwater cannibal fish, has been found in Connaught Park pond at Dover. It is the second ever to be found in Britain, and the first to be found for 100 years.

It is 10 inches long, weighs 1½ lb. and has eight barbels surrounding a wide mouth with teeth in both jaws. It could grow to eight feet long. It is usually found in Africa, Asia and Europe.

Two years ago the Park Superintendent, Mr E. J. Taylor, saw there were very few gold-

fish in this extensive pond. Last year it was the same and this year bigger fish were found dead with their sides bitten.

So the pond was drained and the cannibal found. It was identified by Mr Guy Manning, a Dover miller, who has taken the fish and put it in his own pond at Preston Park, near Wingham.

How did the fish get in the Dover pond? Mr Taylor, who thinks it might have eaten 2,000 tiny fish in three years, believes somebody found it a bad mixer in an aquarium and put it in the pond as an act of kindness.

The only other alternative is that the spawn might have been carried across the Channel by a bird, but that is unlikely.

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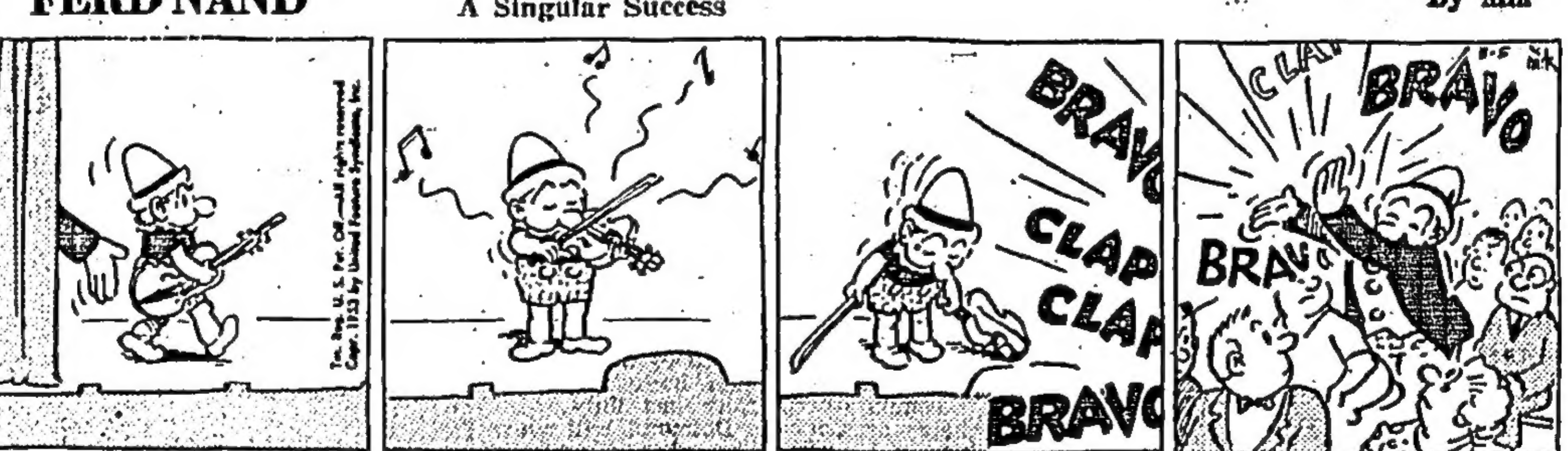
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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### The Three Big-Shots

THE three youths left their homes in South London early in the morning, and each, on leaving, informed his family he was off to look for work. Two had recently been fired from their jobs for consistently failing to turn up on time; the third had been dismissed for some similarly trivial offence.

At a rendezvous arranged the evening before, the trio met, and set off together for the West End. And now in their own minds they were no longer three 17-year-olds linked by the common misfortune of having to seek work. They were big-shot bad men about to make a frontal assault on London, vest-pocket Capones, whose otherwise empty heads were filled with plans they had put together for committing significant crime.

**OTHER CRIMES**  
NONE of the three were strangers to crime. One, at the age of ten, had appeared before a juvenile court charged with two cases of shopbreaking and larceny. His name is Jackie. At 17 he is a sullen, sultry and scowling boy. Jackie's friend, Joe, also began his acquaintance with crime when he was ten. He was charged with stealing money from his school, and asked for seven similar offences to be taken into consideration. Since then he has three times been before courts.

The third of the trio, William, has the most imposing record, for he has six times been found guilty of an assortment of crimes. Between them, therefore, the trio had a wealth of experience behind them when they came to the West End the other day intent upon a coup that would free them for some time from the tedious necessity of going to work to earn their keep.

**THINGS** might have gone better for them had they

dressed so as not to attract notice. But they omitted this precaution, and each put on all his wardrobe could provide in the way of—of use a tactics word—arresting clothes. Their shirts were so flamboyant, their ties so outlandishly vivid, that anywhere outside a coloured travel film they were bound to attract attention.

They did attract attention. A policeman, in plain, subdued clothes, saw them visit several small shops and hang about without attempting to buy anything.

**FATHERS SPEAK**  
His interest was sufficiently aroused for him to follow the trio. He was watching when they brought off their coup, the crime they had so carefully planned, or a variation of it that circumstances had imposed. The policeman caught them red-handed stealing from a shop.

So crushing was the experience, that Jackie and Joe and William all pleaded guilty at Bow Street next morning to the charge against them.

The details were told to the magistrate and the characters of the three youths were succinctly sketched. Joe's father and William's father, who had worked all their lives to provide for their families and who now were sacrificing working time and the money that meant, to speak for their sons, went into the witness-box and said, in effect: "My boy said he was going to London to look for work."

**TO BORSTAL?**  
NONE of the youths had a word to say. "Between you," said the magistrate, "you now have 13 convictions [by my reckoning the total was 16] I shall remand you for three weeks in custody, for a report upon your suitability for Borstal training."

The trio looked furious. Borstal was a place, for boys, in crime they considered they had reached manhood. Their crime on this occasion? They had stolen three toffee apples, valued altogether at 1s. 6d.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"No use trying to sell him our most expensive shoes—he's rich enough not to be afraid to ask for something cheaper!"

## Increased Revenue And Profits For The Peak Tramways Company

Increased revenue for the year of \$37,533, and an increased net profit of \$17,230 were reported by the Chairman at the annual general meeting this morning of the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.

Mr. W. A. Stewart, who presided, also disclosed that 1,634,330 passengers were carried during the past 12 months, an increase of 139,818 over the previous year.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said: "The net profit for the year is \$17,230. To this is added the balance brought forward of \$20,653 and \$47,885 being over-provision of Corporation Profits Tax in previous years, making an amount of \$381,323 available for appropriation. The Directors recommend the following allocations:

Provide for Corporation Profits Tax 1953/4, \$30,000; Transfer to Provision for Staff Leave & Retiring Gratuities, \$31,480; Transfer to General Reserve, \$100,000; Pay a dividend of \$4 per share (free of tax) on 25,000 shares fully paid \$100,000; and \$2 per share (free of tax) on \$50,000 shares, \$5 paid up, \$100,000; Carry Forward to next account, \$10,863.

The proposed appropriations are embodied in the accounts, and now require your confirmation. Comparison with the previous year's figures in the Profit & Loss Account reveals that revenue was greater by \$37,533 and expenses were higher by \$20,303. The result is therefore an increase in the net profit of \$17,230. You will doubtless be interested to know that 1,634,330 passengers were carried during the year. This represents an increase of 139,818 passengers over the previous year and accounts entirely for our increased revenue.

## HIGHER EXPENSES

As expenses are a good deal higher, it is necessary to explain the important items. The increase in Salaries, Wages and Allowances of \$10,443 is principally accounted for by the necessity to provide alternative accommodation for staff whilst the new flats were under construction. The increase of \$5,193 under Staff Insurance represents the annual premium of the Insurance Retirement Scheme for the Chinese Staff to which I will refer later. Electrical charges are higher by \$8,029 because of the surcharge and the greater number of trips made. Variations in other items of expenditure are self-explanatory.

The Balance Sheet has been remodelled on the advice of our Auditors to conform with modern practice and Fixed Assets are now shown in tabulated form. Another important change is the creation of a General Reserve by the transfer of \$100,000 from Rehabilitation Reserve (no longer required), \$100,000 from Replacement Reserve and \$100,000 from the Profit & Loss Appropriation Account.

During the year a Life and Retirement Insurance Scheme was adopted for the Chinese

Staff. The payment of \$31,480 was required to cover varying periods of past service and was debited to the Retiring Gratuities Reserve and the Reserve re-established to the figure of \$120,000 by a transfer from the Profit & Loss Appropriation Account. Arrangements are now being made for retiring benefits to our non-Chinese Staff. The total annual cost of all retiring provision will be approximately \$51,000. It is a matter of satisfaction to the Board, as it will be to you, that the Company has been able to adopt these arrangements which will reward employees for long and diligent service.

## NEW FLATS

Work commenced at the end of 1952 on the Upper Terminus Flats and they will be ready for occupation on 1st June. A flat for our Superintendent Engineer was built over the Workshop and is now occupied. This building programme has been financed with liquid funds and should result in a satisfactory revenue.

Plant, Machinery, Track and Cars are all maintained by our own staff and can be said to be in excellent condition, as also are all our Properties. Your Directors feel that the results for the year under review are sound, justify the increase in dividend now proposed. I have no doubt you will readily concur with that recommendation.

Before concluding my remarks, I think it is fitting to record thanks to the Superintendents and Staff for the excellent work they have rendered to the Company during the year.

## Radio Hongkong

R.H.T. & Time Signal and Programme Summary, 9. Under review (last hour) presented by Sally Ann (Studio). Jennifer (London) by Howard Jones (BBC). Jennifer at the Port of London. "Coronation Processions" (BBC). Old Time Ballroom: 7. Star Performers: The The Luten Girls Choir. Dr. B. G. Davis and the Rev. Father T. F. Ryan (Recorded). 7.30. Tin Tin Jones, presented by John (Studio). The Hits of May, chosen by Listeners in their Requester. 7.45. News (London Relay) 8.10. Coronation Festival of British Music by Henry Wood (BBC). 8.15. News (London Relay) 8.30. The Mayor of Canterbury by Thomas Hardy (BBC). 8.45. News (London Relay) 9.00. Music Lovers' Hour—Classical Requests presented by Curly Hind. 9.15. News (London Relay) 9.30. The Story of Tenby. A Talk by J. R. Jones. 9.45. News (London Relay) 10.00. Weather Report 10.15. News (London Relay) 10.30. Music, God Save the Queen! 11.30. Close Down.

## ELECTRICIAN AND METER READERS CONSPIRE TO DEFRAUD HK ELECTRIC CO.

A system involving the tampering of meters of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. to show a lower reading over a period of at least five months was described by Crown Counsel before Judge W. A. Blair-Kerr in the Victoria District Court this morning, when five men appeared on a charge of conspiracy to defraud.

The accused were Wong Chor, 32, electrician, Lee Ching, 33, Lau Sai-kuén, 30, and Chan Kam-ye, 30, meter readers of the Hongkong Electric Company, and Tsui Tau-wan, 42, proprietor of the Shanghai Hair Dressing Shop, 111 Des Voeux Road Central.

First accused was represented by Mr. Y. H. Chan, and the three meter readers by Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios. Fifth accused was not represented.

All five accused were charged with conspiring together on various dates between November, 1952, and April, 1953, to defraud the Hongkong Electric Company by breaking the seals of electric meters of certain consumers of electricity and re-setting the dial pointers of the meters to register a lower reading of electricity units than had in fact been consumed and thereby depriving the Company of monies due.

First accused was additionally charged with possession of eight forged dies purporting to be genuine dies of the Hongkong Electric Company.

He pleaded guilty to both counts against him, while the meter readers pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge. Fifth accused denied the charge of conspiracy.

Mr. G. R. Sneath, Crown Counsel, who prosecuted, asked for the case against fifth accused to be set aside while the Crown considered the position against him.

Crown Counsel said that Mr. H. Calne, of Johnson, Stokes and Master, would have prosecuted on behalf of the Hongkong Electric Company if the case had been contested. He had obtained the permission of the Attorney-General to prosecute.

## SYSTEM EXPLAINED

Detailing the system used in the conspiracy, Mr. Sneath said that first accused was an electrician who did various outside jobs while second, third and fourth accused were meter readers employed by the Electric Company. One of the meter readers usually approached a consumer who was told that he could have his meter—reading—lessened if a certain sum per month was paid. Agreement having been reached, first accused would then undertake the work, go to the given address, break open the meter which involved breaking the seal, turn back the reading on the dial, and then re-seal the meter with one of the forged dies so as to make it appear that the original seal had never been touched.

Meter readings were usually taken from the dials, and the seals were never disturbed unless the meters were removed by the Company, Crown Counsel explained. The meter readers also supplied first accused with what are known as "pink slips," which were in fact complaint slips so that they could be produced if he were stopped while tampering with meters. First accused himself sometimes approached consumers direct when he was engaged in a job of repair at an address, but in the majority of cases, the approach was first made by the meter readers, said Crown Counsel.

## FORGED SEALS

On April 20 last, about 8 a.m. detectives were at 111 Des Voeux Road Central when they saw first accused come along with a ladder which he placed against a window and then climb up. He was followed up the ladder a few minutes later by the detectives, who found him inside the address with a seal which he had removed from a meter. Accused also had a pair of pliers and the tools common to his trade, while in one pocket was found some forged seals.

First accused was arrested and from then on he was most co-operative, said Mr. Sneath. He took the Police to his home where he produced more forged seals and a set of plain lead seals were made. Such seals, said Crown Counsel, had a number stamped on when they were clamped on to meters with pliers.

Mr. Sneath added that the Crown was not pressing the second charge against first accused on the seals were part and parcel of the first count.

From a statement made by first accused, the second, third and fourth accused were arrested.

Mr. Sneath said a serious view was taken of the case because of the length of time during which it appeared to have gone on and the number of consumers involved. A list found in the premises of the first accused gave a list of 51 addresses.

As an indication of the loss suffered by the Electric Company through the conspiracy, Mr. Sneath said that one consumer who had made a statement had stated that the number of units shown as having been consumed in his account in the month prior to the accused's arrest was 36, while in the month following his meter reading showed 297 units had been consumed.

The average number of units consumed per month in the list of addresses was 48.

Counsel added he was informed that the Electric Company charged 30 cents a unit for electricity and 12 cents a unit for power.

Mr. Sneath remarked that the whole operation would not have been possible were it not for the part played by the three meter readers who were in a position to supply first accused with "pink slips," addresses and make the necessary negotiations. First accused supplied the technical knowledge.

## MITIGATION PLEA

Pleading in mitigation, Mr. Chan gave an outline of first accused's personal history. Born in Hongkong, the accused had aged parents to support in addition to his wife, whom he married four years ago, but there were no children. He had been educated in various charitable schools and when the Japanese occupied the Colony in 1941, he went to Free China and joined the Chinese Army unit known as the Overseas Chinese Service Group. He was given training as an aircraft mechanic, and in 1942 was sent by the Chinese Government to India to receive further training. When this had been completed, he returned to Free China and was posted to the Combined American and Chinese Air Force where he served both as ground mechanic and on flying missions.

Mr. Chan said he thought he could say the accused served his country well. At the end of the war, he returned to Hongkong in November, 1945, but was unable to find an opening whereby he could apply the knowledge he had gained in the war. He thereupon took up work as an odd-job electrician and earned between \$200 and \$300 a month, which was barely sufficient to support his family.

Mr. Chan asked the Court to take into consideration the accused's youth, his good record during the war, and the fact that he was a man with training which could be used for the benefit of the community if given the opportunity.

## FIRST OFFENCE

The present was the accused's first offence and the offence was the first to be brought to the notice of the Police and the Electric Company of tampering with meters.

The accused, Mr. Chan added, had been quite frank about the matter after following his arrest, and but for his co-operation the Prosecution would have taken considerable time to unearth the whole operation, taking into consideration the number of addresses involved. Counsel asked the Court to deal with accused as leniently as possible.

Mr. d'Almeida Remedios, for the three meter readers, said second and fourth accused had been employed in the Electric Company for five years and each earned \$218 per month, com-

prising salary of \$95 and high cost allowance of \$120, while third accused had been in the employ of the Company for four years. They were all married men with children. They had entered the service of the Electric Company on a basic salary of \$83 per month with an increment of \$2 per year.

Counsel said all three men had served the Company faithfully until the material time mentioned in the charge when, due to the pittance they drew from the Electric Company which did not enable them to meet the requirements of their families and dependants, they succumbed to the temptation to make a few extra dollars per month in the manner described by Crown Counsel.

## INNOCENT VICTIMS

Mr. d'Almeida Remedios asked the Court to take into consideration in passing sentence the sufferings of the dependants, who were the innocent victims of the offence. By their appearance in Court and the sentences they would undergo, their future would be marred and their chances of obtaining good employment so as to provide sufficiently for their families would be greatly reduced.

Counsel said the temptation to make a few dollars was not for the purpose of gain but was to get some money to provide for those they loved. He asked the Court to deal leniently with the accused.

Mr. Sneath disclosed that none of the accused had any previous conviction.

Passing sentence, Judge Blair-Kerr remarked that the offence was a very serious one and the law provided for a maximum penalty of three years for conspiracy. Their Counsel had said everything possible on their behalf and he had given due weight to their pleas, but under all the circumstances, his Honour remarked, he could see no appreciable difference in the degree of guilt of the conspirators. He sentenced first accused to two years' hard labour on each count, the terms to run concurrently, and second, third, and fourth accused to two years' hard labour for conspiracy.

His Honour ordered fifth accused to be remanded in custody for one week pending the Crown's decision in regard to the charge against him.

## Heavy Fighting In Korea

Seoul, May 29. British and Turkish forces fought side by side on the Korean western front in intense darkness and misty rain on Thursday night to repel the strongest Chinese attack in seven months.

The Duke of Wellington's Regiment, in a six-hour heroic stand, beat back an estimated 2,000 Chinese at "Hook Ridge," inflicting heavy casualties on them.

On their left flank, the Turks lost "Carson" outpost and yielded a foothold on "Vegas" outpost to the Chinese.—Reuter.

## \$7,197 Donated To School

It was announced today that a profit of \$7,197.50 from the Cocktail Hour Fashion Show, which was held at the Skyroom on March 18, will be turned over to the Hongkong Sea Training School in Stanley.

The total income resulting from the sale of tickets, programmes, and from donations amounted to \$9,473.00. Expenditure for the function came to \$2,275.50.

"What's Her Line?" Solution NEEDLEWOMAN London Needlewoman

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## Mr Strellett Honoured

It was officially announced by the Netherlands Consulate - General in Hongkong this morning that Her Majesty Queen Juliana has been graciously pleased to appoint Mr. D. L. Strellett, well known Hongkong solicitor, Chevalier in the Order of Orange-Nassau.

The announcement adds that Mr. Strellett has been legal adviser to the Netherlands Consulate - General for more than 20 years.

## CHARGES DENIED

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in transporting Communist military personnel in Chinese waters.

"How does this matter stand? In the first place on all the evidence available, no British ship, that is to say no ship under the British flag and subject to British law, has done any such thing.

## CONTROLLED BY REDS

"The question turns on two ships of Panamanian registry and flying the Panamanian flag in which British companies had ownership or an interest."

"These two ships at the time of the alleged incidents in 1951 and 1952 appear to have been under the effective control of the Chinese Communists. Both were in due course struck off the Panamanian registry."

"Therefore even if the allegations as to the activities of these ships are true, the question is whether at the relevant times the ships were still even technically under the control of British interests."

"All this is of course under investigation. Any matter large or small involving such complicated questions of facts and dates and law needs very careful sifting."

"The last thing that should be done is to use such isolated and doubtful cases to cast aspersions on the loyalty of the British Government and people in the great effort which they are making in the common cause."

—Reuter.

## Eisenhower's Statement

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ly such co-operation was better in the long run than forced co-operation.

The White House, apparently aware of the importance attached to the President's remarks, permitted direct questions about two days after the conference ended. It issued a mimeographed form of the President's remarks for direct quotation.

This procedure is unusual. Ordinarily, the President's conference remarks cannot be quoted.

## OPEN CONFLICT

The sharp differences between Mr. Taft and the President on the Korea-United Nations issue marked the first open conflict between the two since President Eisenhower took office.

Soon after the November election Mr. Taft reacted bitterly to President Eisenhower's selection of Democrat Martin F. Durkin as the Secretary of Labor. Mr. Taft called the appointment "incredible" but voted to confirm.

Since inauguration day President Eisenhower and Mr. Taft have worked harmoniously on most matters. Mr. Taft helped the President to get Senate confirmation of the controversial nomination of Mr. Charles F. Holloman to be Ambassador to Russia and supported the new Administration's legislative programme.

Mr. Taft recently indicated privately that he was unhappy about deficit spending but has said nothing publicly about it.

He and the President have been occasional golf partners.—United Press.

## Appointed Lay Representatives

It was notified in today's Government Gazette that the following changes have been made in the constitution of the Trustees of the Church of England in Hongkong: Messrs F. C. Clemo and E. F. Shea to be lay representatives of Christ Church, Kowloon; Messrs J. T. Prior and B. J. M. Monk.

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